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(Briefly describe the property to be searched or identify the person by name and address)

Information associated with cabsnztrouble@gmail.com (the "accounts"), that is stored at premises owned, maintained, controlled, or operated by Google LLC, a company headquartered at 1600 Amphitheatre Parkway, Mountain View, CA 94043

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City and state: Green Bay, Wisconsin

Judge's signature

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# AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF AN APPLICATION FOR A SEARCH WARRANT

I, Julius Klevinskas, being first duly sworn, hereby depose and state as follows:

#### INTRODUCTION AND AGENT BACKGROUND

- 1. I make this affidavit in support of an application for a search warrant under 18 U.S.C. §§ 2703(a), 2703(b)(1)(A), and 2703(c)(1)(A) to require Google LLC ("Google") to disclose to the government records and other information, including the contents of communications, associated with the Google accounts listed in Attachment A, that is stored at premises owned, maintained, controlled, or operated by Google, a company headquartered at 1600 Amphitheater Parkway, Mountain View, CA 94043. The information to be disclosed by Google and searched by the government is described in the following paragraphs and in Attachment B.
- 2. I am a sworn law enforcement officer currently employed as a Special Agent with the Department of Homeland Security, Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) and have been so employed since approximately January 2023. I am currently assigned to the Chicago Field Division Milwaukee Resident Office (RAC). Since becoming a Special Agent, I have received specialized training in various aspects of law enforcement and my responsibilities include conducting investigations of alleged criminal violations of federal statutes and laws. Prior to my tenure as a HSI Special Agent, I was a Diversion Investigator with the Department of Justice Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), Milwaukee District Office, from approximately July 2019 to January 2023.
- 3. Based on my training and experience, I know that individuals who engage in criminal activity using online accounts often save, store, or possess digital information, data, and

evidence within their online accounts. I know that as a regular course of business, many electronic communication service providers maintain said digital information and content for a period of time, and make it available to law enforcement agencies to seek with service of a legal Court Order. I also know that as a regular course of business, electronic communication service providers may maintain internal records that the company may collect from each individual user as set by the agreed upon terms of service at the time of account activation. These internal records may include various subscriber information such as IP address logs, user event time/date stamps, device identification, phone numbers, email addresses, etc.

- 4. The facts in this affidavit come from my personal observations, my training and experience, and information obtained from other agents and witnesses. This affidavit is intended to show merely that there is sufficient probable cause for the requested warrant and does not set forth all of my knowledge about this matter.
- 5. Based on my training and experience and the facts as set forth in this affidavit, there is probable cause to believe that violations of 18 U.S.C. § 2251(a), which makes it a crime to produce child pornography and 18 U.S.C. § 2252A(a)(5)(B), which makes it a crime to possess child pornography, the "subject offenses." There is also probable cause to search the information described in Attachment A for evidence, instrumentalities, contraband, and/or fruits of these crimes further described in Attachment B.

#### **JURISDICTION**

6. This Court has jurisdiction to issue the requested warrant because it is "a court of competent jurisdiction" as defined by 18 U.S.C. § 2711. 18 U.S.C. §§ 2703(a), (b)(1)(A), & (c)(1)(A). Specifically, the Court is "a district court of the United States . . . that has jurisdiction over the offense being investigated." 18 U.S.C. § 2711(3)(A)(i).

# **PROBABLE CAUSE**

- 7. On January 3, 2024, the Wisconsin Department of Justice Division of Criminal Investigation (WI DOJ-DCI) received a referral from the United States Homeland Security Investigations (HSI).
- 8. Between November 27, 2023, to January 3, 2024, HSI Special Agent (SA) Eddie Ramirez, assigned to the HSI San Antonio Field Office, conducted a forensic review of a download from a desktop computer tower seized by the San Antonio Police Department (SAPD) during a child pornography investigation on June 26, 2023. On June 26, 2023, Laura Hurd, DOB: 05/26/1992, reported her boyfriend/ex-boyfriend, Bobby E. Matjeka DOB: 12/10/1980, had child pornography on his computer. SAPD dispatched an officer(s) who observed the image(s) of child pornography on the computer and subsequently seized the desktop computer tower (hereafter referred to as the computer).
- 9. The SAPD obtained a search warrant for the computer on June 30, 2023. Due to a backlog of electronics requiring review, HSI took custody of the computer on or around November 17, 2023. An HSI Computer Forensic Analyst (CFA) downloaded the computer between November 17, 2023, and November 27, 2023.
- 10. Between November 27, 2023, to January 3, 2024, HSI SA Ramirez then analyzed and reviewed the download and found 20-30 naked images of the same prepubescent female child, which SA Ramirez determined to be consistent with child pornography/child sexual abuse material (CSAM) that originated from conversations from a Kik Username(s) Char B/cabsnztrouble and text messages from phone number 920-205-5329. The images of the prepubescent female child were sent from Char B/cabsnztrouble and 920-205-5329. The chats occurred between approximately December 2021 to June 2022.

- 11. SA Ramirez sent a federal summons (akin to a subpoena) to the cellular service provider for the phone number, T-Mobile, and identified the owner phone number as Charlotta Belgum, residence of 907 North Fair Street, Appleton, WI, 54911.
- 12. Through further investigation, Charlotta was further identified as Charlotta A. Belgum, DOB: 04/04/1986. A social media account, believed to belong to Belgum, depicted her with a young child, who was identified by Appleton School District Records to be her 8-year-old daughter, T.H., DOB: 08/03/2015. SA Ramirez subsequently identified T.H. in the social media photographs as the same child depicted in the CSAM.
- 13. The WI DOJ-DCI obtained the copies of the chats reviewed by SA Ramirez. WI DOJ-DCI SA Eric Voland reviewed the images recovered by SA Ramirez and believed the images to be child pornography based on Wisconsin Statutes. Some of the images and comments from the Kik conversation are summarized below:

On December 14, 2021, Char B sent seven images of T.H. in a bathtub filled with red water. T.H. is described as being naked, has shoulder length brown hair, no pubic hair, and no breast development. In one of the images, T.H. is in a crouched position looking at the camera and her vagina is exposed above the water. The next image appears to be a close-up of T.H.'s vagina area and her face is not visible.

After those seven images are sent by Char B, the following conversation occurs:

12/14/21 01:41	(Matjeka)	Mmmmmmm. Man I love her
12/14/21 01:42	Char B	I know. She's delectableI can't get enough of
		her.
12/14/21 01:42	(Matjeka)	I can't either
12/14/21 01:44	Char B	She's just gorgeous and I love that she's into
		chokers now too
12/14/21 01:45	(Matjeka)	Yes. She will be my slave so it's only right
12/14/21 01:45	Char B	Agreed
12/14/21 01:46	(Matjeka)	I'm so horny for her

12/14/21 01:47 Char B Me too

- 14. SA Voland observed 25 images of T.H. naked in or around the bathtub in the Kik conversations between December 10, 2021, and December 27, 2021, with sexual comments in response to those images.
- 15. On January 3, 2024, SA Voland and SA Kadie Walusay (WIDOJ-DCI) interviewed Charlotta Belgum at the Appleton Police Department. Belgum waived her Miranda Rights and agreed to speak with the Special Agents. Belgum acknowledged that she has had phone number 920-205-5329 for about the past nine years, and she acknowledged having a Kik username of Char B. Belgum indicated she met people on the website FetLife, which is a social network for people with fetishes. Belgum indicated she would meet people on this site and then later communicate with them through text messages or Kik. SA Voland showed Belgum sanitized images and some of the conversations that SA Ramirez recovered. Belgum admitted to taking those pictures of T.H. in sexually explicit positions. Belgum admitted to sending those images to "Bobby" in Texas through text messages during conversations that were sexual in nature. Belgum also admitted to receiving CSAM images from "Bobby" because he wanted Belgum to "get turned on" by those images. Belgum admitted that she took pictures of her daughter, T.H., while in the bathtub at her home at 907 N. Fair Street, Appleton, WI, and at the Great Wolf Lodge in Wisconsin Dells, with her phone and nobody else besides her took those pictures. Belgum indicated that her primary email address is cabsnztrouble@gmail.com and that email account is associated with her android phone. She indicated that she does not have any naked pictures of her children on her phone and that she recently uploaded photos to her Google account to clear out space on her phone.
  - 16. I know that Google, LLC logs the assignment of IP addresses to subscribers of

their service at any given time. I know that these IP assignment logs will identify the Google, LLC subscriber to whom the IP address listed above was assigned at the relevant time, and that Google, LLC will be able to provide the subscriber information for that subscriber, including the subscriber's name and billing address. I believe this information will assist in locating the physical location from which the suspect image was uploaded on the date and time in question and will permit further investigation to identify the person responsible for uploading the suspect image file.

- 17. I know from previous professional experience that Google, LLC will comply with a Wisconsin court issued Warrant served through their online portal. I have utilized this portal, which is specifically designated for law enforcement to upload/serve legal process, such as Preservation Requests and Warrants for Electronic Communication Records.
- 18. Within five business days following receipt, I will prepare and submit to the clerk of courts a Return of this Warrant, accompanied by a written inventory of the documents received.
- 19. This investigation continues and is ongoing. I believe that secrecy of the Request for this Warrant and this Affidavit in support, as well as the issuance of, all orders, returns and other related information concerning the requested Warrant, is appropriate and necessary in order to prevent premature disclosure of the status, progress or details of the investigation, as reflected in this Affidavit and to avoid the disclosure of possible sources of evidence, including sources over which one or more targets may have access or control. Further, based on my training and experience, I am aware and believe that persons who know they are a target of a criminal investigation sometimes attempt to flee to avoid apprehension, tamper with, conceal or destroy

evidence that remains within their control, threaten or harm witnesses or otherwise inappropriately influence witnesses.

- 20. I am aware that the current investigation involves the use of computers or other digital devices and that the data stored on such devices may be relevant and probative evidence in any subsequent investigation or prosecution. I know from my training and experience that digital data can be recovered from storage devices/media even after long periods of time. However, I also know that digital devices or storage media (hard drives, USB drives, CDs, DVDs, etc.) can be easily concealed, moved, destroyed or damaged and thereby prevent a forensic analysis of the contents of those devices, even if they can be located. For these reasons, secrecy related to this investigation is necessary at this time so that law enforcement can complete the investigation, including seeking search warrants or other means to gain access to such devices/storage media while limiting the likelihood that the relevant data on them will be destroyed or lost.
  - 21. I estimate that further investigation of this matter may take an additional 90 days.
- 22. As required under California Penal Code § 1524.2(c), I attest that the evidence sought in this warrant is not related to an investigation into, or enforcement of, a "prohibited violation," as defined in California Penal Code § 629.51. "Prohibited violation" under that section means "any violation of law that creates liability for, or arising out of, either of the following: providing, facilitating, or obtaining an abortion that is lawful under California law; [or] intending or attempting to provide, facilitate, or obtain an abortion that is lawful under California law."
- 23. In general, an e-mail that is sent to a Google subscriber is stored in the subscriber's "mail box" on Google's servers until the subscriber deletes the e-mail. If the subscriber does not delete the message, the message can remain on Google's servers indefinitely.

Even if the subscriber deletes the e-mail, it may continue to be available on Google's servers for a certain period of time.

24. Therefore, Google's servers are likely to contain stored electronic communications and information concerning subscribers and their use of Google's services. In my training and experience, such information may constitute evidence of the crimes under investigation including information that can be used to identify the account's user or users.

### **BACKGROUND CONCERNING GOOGLE**

- 25. Google is a United States Company that offers to the public through its Google Accounts a variety of online services, including email, cloud storage, digital payments, and productivity applications, which can be accessed through a web browser or mobile applications. Google also offers to anyone, whether or not they have a Google Account, a free web browser called Google Chrome and a free search engine called Google Search.
- 26. In addition, Google offers an operating system ("OS") for mobile devices, including cellular phones, known as Android. Google also sells devices, including laptops, mobile phones, tablets, smart speakers, security cameras, and wireless routers. Users of Android and Google devices are prompted to connect their device to a Google Account when they first turn on the device.
- 27. Signing up for a Google Account automatically generates an email address at the domain gmail.com. That email address will be the log-in username for access to the Google Account. Enterprises may also establish Google Accounts which can be accessed using an email address at the enterprise's domain (e.g., employee@]company.com).
- 28. Google advertises its services as "One Account. All of Google working for you."

  Once logged into a Google Account, a user can connect to Google's full suite of services offered

to the general public, some of which are described in further detail below. In addition, Google keeps certain records indicating ownership and usage of the Google Account across services, described further after the description of services below.

- 29. **GMAIL:** Google provides email services (called Gmail) to Google Accounts through email addresses at gmail.com or enterprise email addresses hosted by Google. Gmail can be accessed through a web browser or a mobile application. Additional email addresses ("recovery," "secondary," "forwarding," or "alternate" email addresses) can be associated with the Google Account by the user. Google preserves emails associated with a Google Account indefinitely, unless the user deletes them.
- 30. **CONTACTS:** Google provides an address book for Google Accounts through Google Contacts. Google Contacts stores contacts the user affirmatively adds to the address book, as well as contacts the user has interacted with in Google products. Users can send messages to more than one contact at a time by manually creating a group within Google Contacts or communicate with an email distribution list called a Google Group. Users have the option to sync their mobile phone or device address book, so it is stored in Google Contacts. Google preserves contacts indefinitely, unless the user deletes them.
- through Google Calendar. Users can create events or RSVP to events created by others in Google Calendar. Google Calendar can be set to generate reminder emails or alarms about events or tasks, repeat events at specified intervals, track RSVPs, and auto-schedule appointments to complete periodic goals (like running three times a week). A single Google Account can set up multiple calendars. An entire calendar can be shared with other Google Accounts by the user or made public so anyone can access it. Users have the option to sync their mobile phone or device

address book, so it is stored in Google Calendar. Google preserves appointments indefinitely, unless the user deletes them.

- 32. GOOGLE KEEP: Google also provides online to-do lists and notepads for Google Accounts. Google Keep allows users to create notes or lists. These notes can be shared with other users to edit. Users can set notifications at particular dates and times for both tasks and notes. Google preserves tasks and notes indefinitely, unless the user deletes them.
- number of direct messaging services accessible through a browser or mobile application, including Duo, Messages, Hangouts (Chat and Meet), and the now-retired Allo and Chat. These services enable real-time communications. Users can send and receive text messages, videos, photos, locations, links, and contacts from their Google Account using these services. Chat and Hangouts require or required the other user to also have a Google Account. Duo, Messages, and Allo do or did not. Google preserves messages sent through these services indefinitely, unless the user turns off the setting to save conversation history or deletes the message.
- GOOGLE DRIVE: Google Drive is a cloud storage service automatically created for each Google Account. Users can store an unlimited number of documents created by Google productivity applications like Google Docs (Google's word processor), Google Sheets (Google's spreadsheet program), Google Forms (Google's web form service), and Google Slides, (Google's presentation program). Users can also upload files to Google Drive, including photos, videos, PDFs, and text documents, until they hit the storage limit. Users can also set up their personal computer or mobile phone to automatically back up files to their Google Drive Account. Each user gets 15 gigabytes of space for free on servers controlled by Google and may purchase more through a subscription plan called Google One. In addition, Google Drive allows

users to share their stored files and documents with up to 100 people and grant those with access the ability to edit or comment. Google maintains a record of who made changes when to documents edited in Google productivity applications. Documents shared with a user are saved in their Google Drive in a folder called "Shared with me." Google preserves files stored in Google Drive indefinitely, unless the user deletes them.

- 35. GOOGLE DRIVE FOR ANDROID USERS: Android device users can also use Google Drive to backup certain data from their device. Android backups on Google Drive may include mobile application data, device settings, and file downloads. If a user subscribers to Google's cloud storage service, Google One, they can opt to back up all the data from their device to Google Drive.
- 36. **GOOGLE PHOTOS:** Google offers a cloud-based photo and video storage service called Google Photos. Users can share or receive photos and videos with others. Google Photos can be trained to recognize individuals, places, and objects in photos and videos and automatically tag them for easy retrieval via a search bar. Users have the option to sync their mobile phone or device photos to Google Photos. Google preserves files stored in Google Photos indefinitely, unless the user deletes them.
- Google Maps that can be searched for addresses or points of interest. Google Maps can provide users with turn-by-turn directions from one location to another using a range of transportation options (driving, biking, walking, etc.) and real-time traffic updates. Users can share their real-time location with others through Google Maps by using the Location Sharing feature. And users can find and plan an itinerary using Google Trips. A Google Account is not required to use Google Maps, but if users log into their Google Account while using Google Maps, they can

save locations to their account, keep a history of their Google Maps searches, and create personalized maps using Google My Maps. Google stores Maps data indefinitely, unless the user deletes it.

- 38. GOOGLE PLAY: Google Accounts can buy electronic media, like books, movies, and music, and mobile applications from the Google Play Store. Google Play records can include records of whether a particular application has been or is currently installed on a device. Users cannot delete records of Google Play transactions without deleting their entire Google Account.
- 39. **GOOGLE VOICE:** Google offers a service called Google Voice through which a Google Account can be assigned a telephone number that can be used to make, record, and forward phone calls and send, receive, store, and forward SMS and MMS messages from a web browser, mobile phone, or landline. Google Voice also includes a voicemail service. Records are stored indefinitely, unless the user deletes them.
- 40. **GOOGLE CHROME:** Google offers a free web browser service called Google Chrome that facilitates access to the Internet. Chrome retains a record of a user's browsing history and allows users to save favorite sites as bookmarks for easy access. If a user is logged into their Google Account on Chrome and has the appropriate settings enabled, their browsing history, bookmarks, and other browser settings may be saved to their Google Account.
- 41. YOUTUBE: Google also offers a video platform called YouTube that offers
  Google Accounts the ability to upload videos and share them with others. Users can create a
  YouTube channel where they can upload videos, leave comments, and create playlists available
  to the public. Users can subscribe to the YouTube channels of others, search for videos, save
  favorite videos, like videos, share videos with others, and save videos to watch later. More than

one user can share control of a YouTube channel. YouTube may keep track of a user's searches, watch history, likes, comments, and change history to posted videos.

42. INTEGRATION OF GOOGLE SERVICES: Google integrates these various services to make it easier for Google Accounts to access the full Google suite of services. Users accessing their Google Account through their browser can toggle between Google Services via a toolbar displayed on the top of most Google service pages, including Gmail and Drive. Google Hangout and Chat conversations pop up within the same browser window as Gmail. Attachments in Gmail are displayed with a button that allows the user to save the attachment directly to Google Drive. If someone shares a document with a Google Account user in Google Docs, the contact information for that individual will be saved in the user's Google Contacts. Google Voice voicemail transcripts and missed call notifications can be sent to a user's Gmail account. And if a user logs into their Google Account on the Chrome browser, their subsequent Chrome browser and Google Search activity is associated with that Google Account, depending on user settings.

### **Google Account Records:**

- 43. **SUBSCRIBER RECORDS:** When individuals register with Google for a Google Account, Google asks users to provide certain personal identifying information, including the user's full name, telephone number, birthday, and gender. If a user is paying for services, the user must also provide a physical address and means and source of payment.
- 44. **ACCESS RECORDS:** Google typically retains and can provide certain transactional information about the creation and use of each account on its system. Google captures the date on which the account was created, the length of service, log-in times and durations, the types of services utilized by the Google Account, the status of the account

(including whether the account is inactive or closed), the methods used to connect to the account (such as logging into the account via Google's website or using a mobile application), and other log files that reflect usage of the account. In addition, Google keeps records of the Internet Protocol ("IP") addresses used to register the account and accept Google's terms of service, as well as the IP addresses associated with particular logins to the account. Because every device that connects to the Internet must use an IP address, IP address information can help to identify which computers or other devices were used to access the Google Account.

- 45. Google maintains the communications, files, and associated records for each service used by a Google Account on servers under its control. Even after a user deletes a communication or file from their Google Account, it may continue to be available on Google's servers for a certain period of time.
- decollects and retains data about searches that users conduct within their own Google Account or using the Google Search service, including voice queries made to Google Assistant. Google also has the capacity to track the websites visited using its Google Chrome web browser service, applications used by Android users, and the use of Google applications by iPhone users.

  According to Google, this search, browsing, and application use history may be associated with a Google Account when the user is logged into their Google Account on the browser or device and certain global settings are enabled, such as Web & App Activity. Google also collects and retains data about the voice queries made to its artificial intelligence-powered virtual assistant, Google Assistant, on Android devices and associated it with the registered Google Account if certain global settings are enabled, such as Voice & Audio Activity tracking. Google usually maintains these records indefinitely, unless the user deletes them.

- 47. LOCATION HISTORY: Google collects and retains data about the location at which Google Account services are accessed from any mobile device, as well as the periodic location of Android devices, regardless of service usage. This location data can derive from a range of sources, including GPS data, Wi-Fi access points, cell-site locations, geolocation of IP addresses, sensor data, user searches, and Bluetooth beacons within range of the device.

  According to Google, this location data may be associated with the Google Account signed-in or registered to the device when Location Services are activated on the device and the user has enabled certain global settings for their Google Account, such as Location History or Web & App Activity tracking. The data retained may be both precision location data, like latitude and longitude coordinates derived from GPS, and inferential location data, such as the inference that a Google Account is in New York because it conducts a series of searches about places to eat in New York and directions from one New York location to another. Google maintains these records indefinitely unless the user deletes it or [not yet implemented: opts into automatic deletion of their location history every three or eighteen months].
- ANDROID DEVICE DATA: When an individual uses an Android device for the first time, they are prompted to register the device to a new or existing Google Account. Data about the use of the Android device is saved to the registered Google Account, including device characteristics such as the device serial number, model type/number, and international mobile equipment identity (IMEI). In addition, users may opt-in to Android device backups to Google cloud servers. Android device backups are only saved as a unique backup file if the user subscribes to Google's cloud storage service, Google One. If they do not, data from the device is associated with the registered Google Account and stored with similar data in the Google Account. For example, photos and videos on the device are backed up to Google Photos;

contacts are backed up to Google Contacts; events and appointments are backed up to Google Calendar; and files and certain application data are backed up to Google Drive. Google maintains these records indefinitely, though users may delete Android back-up files in the same manner as any other file associated with the relevant Google service.

- 49. Google also maintains records of the device characteristics of iPhones used to access Google services, including the make and model of the device. Depending on user settings, those records may be associated with the Google Account logged into the service in use on the device. Google maintains these records indefinitely, unless the user deletes them.
- 50. In my training and experience, evidence of who was using a Google Account, and from where, and evidence related to criminal activity of the kind described above, may be found in the files and records described above. This evidence may establish the "who, what, where, when, why, and how" of the criminal conduct under investigation, thus enabling the United States to establish and prove each element or, alternatively, to exclude the innocent from further suspicion. This can be true even if subscribers insert false information to conceal their identity; this information often nevertheless provides clues to their identity, location or illicit activities.
- 51. For example, the stored communications and files connected to a Google account may provide direct evidence of the offenses under investigation. Based on my training and experience, messages, emails, voicemails, photos, videos, documents, and internet searches are often created and used in furtherance of criminal activity, including to communicate and facilitate the offenses under investigation.
- 52. In addition, the user's account activity, logs, stored electronic communications, location history, and other data retained by Google can indicate who has used or controlled the account. This "user attribution" evidence is analogous to the search for "indicia of occupancy"

while executing a search warrant at a residence. For example, subscriber information, email and messaging logs, documents, and photos and videos (and the data associated with the foregoing, such as geo-location, date and time) may be evidence of who used or controlled the account at a relevant time. As an example, because every device has unique hardware and software identifiers, and because every device that connects to the Internet must use an IP address, IP address and device identifier information can help to identify which computers or other devices were used to access the account. Such information also allows investigators to understand the geographic and chronological context of access, use, and events relating to the crime under investigation.

- 53. Account activity may also provide relevant insight into the account owner's state of mind as it relates to the offenses under investigation. For example, information on the account may indicate the owner's motive and intent to commit a crime (e.g., information indicating a plan to commit a crime), or consciousness of guilt (e.g., deleting account information in an effort to conceal evidence from law enforcement).
- 54. Other information connected to a Google Account may lead to the discovery of additional evidence. For example, the identification of apps downloaded from the Google Play Store may reveal services used in furtherance of the crimes under investigation or services used to communicate with co-conspirators. In addition, emails, instant messages, Internet activity, location information, documents, and contact and calendar information can lead to the identification of co-conspirators and instrumentalities of the crimes under investigation.
- 55. As noted herein, the actors behind the aforementioned smart contract is continuing to perpetrate fraud. The Google's servers are likely to contain stored electronic communications and information concerning subscribers and their use of Google services. In my

training and experience, such information may constitute evidence of the crimes under investigation including information that can be used to identify the account's user or users.

#### INFORMATION TO BE SEARCHED AND THINGS TO BE SEIZED

Act, in particular 18 U.S.C. §§ 2703(a), 2703(b)(1)(A) and 2703(c)(1)(A), by using the warrant to require Google to disclose to the government copies of the records and other information (including the content of communications and stored data) particularly described in Section I of Attachment B. Upon receipt of the information described in Section I of Attachment B, government-authorized persons will review that information to locate the items described in Section II of Attachment B.

### **CONCLUSION**

- 57. Based on the forgoing, I request that the Court issue the proposed search warrant.
- 58. Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 2703(g), the presence of a law enforcement officer is not required for the service or execution of this warrant.

Dated this 1 day of January 2024.

Juljus Klevinskas

Special Agent, Homeland Security

Investigations

Sworn to telephonically this \_\_\_\_ day of January 2024

James R. Sickel

United States Magistrate Judge

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# **ATTACHMENT A**

# Property to Be Searched

This warrant applies to information associated with <a href="cabsnztrouble@gmail.com">cabsnztrouble@gmail.com</a> (the "accounts"), that is stored at premises owned, maintained, controlled, or operated by Google LLC, a company headquartered at 1600 Amphitheatre Parkway, Mountain View, CA 94043.

#### Attachment B

## Particular Things to Be Seized

## I. Information to be disclosed by Google LLC (the "Provider")

To the extent that the information described in Attachment A is within the possession, custody, or control of the Provider, regardless of whether such information is located within or outside of the United States, and including any information that has been deleted but is still available to the provider or has been preserved pursuant to a request made under 18 U.S.C. § 2703(f), the Provider is required to disclose to the government for each account or identifier listed in Attachment A the following information from November 1, 2021 to January 3, 2024, unless otherwise indicated:

#### Google Account

- SUBSCRIBER AND ACCESS RECORDS: All business records and subscriber information, in any form kept, pertaining to the account, including: full name; physical address; telephone numbers, including SMS recovery and alternate sign-in numbers; alternative and recovery email addresses, including those provided during registration; usernames, screennames and other identifiers; account status; account creation date; account registration IP address; length of service; records of session times and durations, including log-in IP addresses; methods of connecting; log files; subscriber change history; means and source of payment (including any credit or bank account number); and detailed billing records;
- **DEVICES:** All device information associated with the accounts, including but not limited to, manufacture names, model numbers, serial number, media access control (MAC) addresses, international mobile equipment identifier (IMEI) numbers, FCC ID numbers, Android IDs, and telephone numbers;
- **SERVICES:** The types of services utilized, including connected applications and sites, and any dates associated with the commencement or termination of that use;
- FORWARDING OR FETCHING ACCOUNTS: All forwarding or fetching accounts relating to the accounts;
- BROWSING, SEARCH, and APPLICATION USE HISTORY: All Internet search, browsing history, and application usage history, such as Web & App Activity, including: search terms; browsing history, including application usage; bookmarks; passwords; autofill information; alerts, subscriptions, and other automated searches, including

associated notifications and creation dates; all text typed into the Google Chrome address bar or Google search bar, including URLs and IP addresses; all URLs or IP addresses clicked on; user settings; and all associated logs and change history;

• LOCATION HISTORY: All records indicating the location at which the account was active, such as Location History and Web & App Activity, including: GPS data; cell site/cell tower information; IP addresses; information associated with each location record, including the source of the data, date and time, latitude and longitude, estimated accuracy, device and platform, and inferences drawn from sensor data (such as whether a user was at rest, walking, biking, or in a car); and associated logs and user settings, including Timeline access logs and change history;

#### **Gmail**

- **GMAIL:** The contents of all emails associated with the account, including, but not limited to: stored or preserved copies of emails sent to and from the account, draft emails, and deleted emails; attachments; the source and destination addresses associated with each email; the date and time at which each email was sent; the size and length of each email; and true and accurate header information including the actual IP addresses of the sender and recipients of the emails;
- **CONTACTS:** Any records pertaining to the user's contacts, including: address books; contact lists, including autocomplete suggestions; social network links; groups, including Google Groups to which the user belongs or communicates with; user settings; and all associated logs and change history;
- CALENDAR: Any records pertaining to the user's calendar, including: Google Calendar entries; Google Tasks; reminders; appointments; invites; and goals; the sender and recipients of any event invitation, reminder, appointment, or task; user settings; and all associated logs and change history;
- WEB-BASED CHATS: The contents of all chats associated with the account, including Google Hangouts, Meet, and Chat, in any format (text, audio, or video) including, but not limited to: stored, deleted, and draft chat communications, including attachments and links; the source and destination addresses associated with each communication, including IP addresses; the size and length of each communication; user settings; and all associated logs, including access logs and change history;

#### **Google Drive**

• The contents of all records associated with the account in Google Drive (including Docs, Sheets, Forms, and Slides) and Google Keep, including: files, folders, media, notes, lists,

applications, and other data uploaded, created, stored, or shared with the account including drafts and deleted records; third-party application data and backups; SMS data and device backups; the creation and change history of each record; accounts with access to or which previously accessed each record; any location, device, other Google service (such as Google Classroom or Google Group), or third-party application associated with each record; and all associated logs, including access logs and IP addresses, of each record;

## **Google Photos**

The contents of all media associated with the account in Google Photos or Picasa, including: photos, GIFs, videos, animations, collages, icons, or other data uploaded, created, stored, or shared with the account, including drafts and deleted records; third-party data; the creation and change history of each record; accounts with access to or which previously accessed each record; any location, device, or third-party application data associated with each record; and all associated logs, including access logs and IP addresses, of each record;

#### Google Maps and Trips

All maps data associated with the account, including Google Maps and Google Trips, including: all saved, starred, and privately labeled locations; search history; routes begun; routes completed; mode of transit used for directions; information associated with locations and other data associated with My Maps and Location Sharing; accounts and identifiers receiving or sending Location Sharing information to the account; changes and edits to public places; and all associated logs, including IP addresses, location data, and timestamps, and change history;

### Google Play Store

 All activity relating to Google Play, including: downloaded, installed, purchased, used, and deleted applications, movies, music, television shows, books, magazines, games, and other files; details of the associated device and Android ID for each application, medium, or file; payment transactions; user settings; and all associated logs, including IP addresses, location data, timestamps, and change history;

#### **Messaging Services**

• MOBILE MESSAGING: The contents of all messages associated with the account, including Google Duo, Android Messages, and Google Allo, in any format (e.g. SMS, MMS, or RCS) including, but not limited to: stored, deleted, and draft messages, including attachments and links; the source and destination addresses associated with each communication, including IP addresses and telephone numbers; the size and length of each communication; associated telephone numbers, including SMS recovery

numbers; usernames and other identifiers; user settings; and all associated logs and change history;

#### **Connected Applications and Accounts**

• LINKED NON-GOOGLE ACCOUNTS: All records relating to connected applications and websites not controlled by Google, including: applications and websites connected to the account at any time; associated account identifiers; privacy settings and account access permissions; and all associated logs, including access logs using Google credentials, timestamps, IP addresses, and change history;

The Provider is hereby ordered to disclose the above information to the Government within 14 days of the issuance of this warrant.

#### II. Information to be seized by the government

All information described above in Section I that constitutes evidence and/or instrumentalities of violations of 18 U.S.C. § 2251(a) and 18 U.S.C. § 2252A(a)(5)(B) since November 1, 2021, including, for each account or identifier listed on Attachment A, information pertaining to the following matters:

- a. Associated code and digital artifacts related to the creation of smart contracts;
- b. Identifying, hosting, maintaining, and registering domains and other means of online infrastructure;
- c. Registering websites, hosting websites, advertising, and client contact;
- d. Fraud or phishing;
- e. Finances, including cryptocurrency;
- f. The identity of the person(s) who created or used the Google ID; including records that help reveal the whereabouts of such person(s);
- g. Evidence indicating how and when the account was accessed or used, to determine the chronological and geographic context of account access, use and events relating to the crime under investigation and the account subscriber;
- h. Any records pertaining to the means and source of payment for services (including any credit card or bank account number or digital money transfer account information);
- i. Evidence indicating the subscriber's state of mind as it relates to the crimes under investigation, including interests and motivations; and

j. Evidence that may identify any co-conspirators or aiders and abettors, including records that help reveal their whereabouts.

This warrant authorizes a review of electronically stored information, communications, other records and information disclosed pursuant to this warrant in order to locate evidence, fruits, and instrumentalities described in this warrant. The review of this electronic data may be conducted by any government personnel assisting in the investigation, who may include, in addition to law enforcement officers and agents, attorneys for the government, attorney support staff, and technical experts. Pursuant to this warrant, the FBI may deliver a complete copy of the disclosed electronic data to the custody and control of attorneys for the government and their support staff for their independent review.